

PITCH IN – CLEAN UP COMMITTEE MINUTES FEBRUARY 15, 2011

PRESENT:

Kim Holaway
Becky Pacey
Debbie Rogers
Lou Carnright

Tim Rasmussen
Deryl Jevons
Bruce Ray

Tim welcomed everyone to the meeting. Kim conducted the meeting. She handed out a copy of the agenda to members.

Kim requested that the committee be involved with the Community Challenge Grant. She reported that this was a matching grant. Any volunteer and town labor hours would need to be applied to the grant budget. She would like committee members to identify trees on Main Street that are need of trimming. Public Works employees will do the trimming. A public works employee would need to be considered to attend arborist training. Elecia Henderson has done a GPS on the trees the whole length of Main Street. Bruce said this would enable to her to create a map of tree locations. Becky and Deryl volunteered to work on this. Tim suggested that weather permitting maybe this could be completed by March 1st and they could report their findings at our next meeting. Kim asked if they would identify any tree and sidewalk conflicts also. They will need to record their time on a volunteer hours form that Kim will provide.

There is approximately \$2,500.00 for the purchase of trees and related materials (soil and mulch). Bruce mentioned that when recommending sites for trees to be planted any town ordinances and safety issues must be considered. Becky suggested checking with Bruce for compatibility of tree sites. Tim mentioned he has spoken with Joan Belshe regarding the tree by the Dairy Queen since it can be considered a safety issue. It was suggested that if the tree could be cut that the stump be made in a bench. Tim said he will continue to work on this issue and report at a future meeting. Becky and Debbie will recommend type of trees to be planted and their location. Debbie suggested that planting be done by Memorial Day weekend. Becky and Debbie will need to record their volunteer hours.

Weather permitting, it was suggested that tree trimming and any sidewalk repair be done in March. Elwin Browning, Public Works Director, will need to select a public works employee for the arborist training. Any planting will need to be done in April and May.

Debbie suggested putting the drip system just north of the traffic light. Bruce said it would not be cost efficient. Kim suggested getting more volunteers for the drip system installation so we would be able to have more money for materials. It was suggested that a drip system be installed at the gazebo. Tim, Lou and Boy Scout Troop 80 will work on identify locations for a drip system installation on Main Street.

Kim presented the Centennial Project design. Debbie suggested more benches and landscaping with grass. This suggestion would require a sprinkler system. There is about \$6,000.00 in the budget for the entire project. Kim reported that Bashas' has offered to help with the park. It was suggested families could donate to have their family name on a paver for the walkway. It was suggested using treated wood for the tables. Debbie suggested purchasing materials locally. It was suggested getting the boy scouts to set the pavers. Debbie suggested having a family work project on Memorial Day to help with the Centennial project since it reflects the history of Eagar. Debbie suggested getting donations for plaques to be placed by trees and lights. Tim said he would put these items on the agenda for our next meeting.

Kim and Tim reported that they would like to see a budget set up for this committee. The members agreed this would help the committee accomplish some of the goals set by council at their retreat.

Becky reported that the plants at the swimming pool are doing well except for three.

The next meeting will be March 1st at 4:15 P.M. at town hall.

Chairman Tim Rasmussen